COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

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Section III - Commission

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TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS Nº 35 /79

(Obligatory expenditure)

PREAMBLE

On 16 October 1979, the Commission forwarded to the Council, the preliminary draft supplementary and rectifying budget number 3 to the 1979 general budget of the European Communities, which had as its principle purpose the adaptation of the 1979 appropriations of the EAGGF Guarantee Section taking into account the evolution of the agricultural market situation and to a lesser extent the decisions relating to agriculture taken by the Council of the 22 June 1979.

During the discussion under the Council's jurisdiction, the decision was taken to reduce by 100 MEUA the request for supplementary appropriations in 1979 estimated by the Commission at 802 MEUA. The Commission did not concur with this reduction until after the declaration by the Council's authorities in which the latter undertook to accept a potential proposal to transfer appropriations from one budget title to another which the Commission might have to present should it find that the actual needs of Member States were going to be greater than the 702 MEUA which was the amount accepted in the draft supplementary and rectifying budget number 3.

However, based of requests for advance payments for the month of December, it has become apparent that the appropriations required to meet the needs for the Guarantee Section to the end of the year will not entirely be covered by the draft supplementary and rectifying budget number 3.

Due to this situation and bearing in mind the fact that the EAGGF Guidance Section has a surplus of 130 MEUA which it cannot utilise during the 1979 financial year, the Commission proposes a transfer of this amount from the Guidance Section to the Guarantee Section as set out in the following table.

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		<u>Commitment</u> appropriations	Payment appropriations
		(in	EUA)
FROM CHAPTER 80	- PROJECTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF AGRICULTURAL STRUCTURES		
Article 800	 Projects for the improvement of agricultural structures provided for under Article 13 of Regula- tion 17/64/EEC 	-	25.000.000
FROM CHAPTER 81	- COMMON MEASURES FOR THE REFORM OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION STRUCTURES		
Article 811	 Cessation of farming and reallo- cation of land for structural improvement 	550.000	550.000
Article 812	- Vocational guidance and training	1.400.000	1.400.000
FROM CHAPTER 82	- COMMON MEASURES CONCERNING THE MARKETING AND PROCESSING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS		
Article 820	- Producer Groups		
Item 8200	- Producer Groups and associations thereof	2.500.000	2.500.000
FROM CHAPTER 83	- COMMON MEASURES IN PARTICULAR SECTORS		
Article 835	- Wine sector		
Item 8350	- Conversion premium	27.100.000	20.000.000
Article 836	- Milk sector		
Item 8360	 Premium for the non-marketing of milk and for the conversion of dairy herds 	34.000.000	34.000.000

Commitment

Payment

		Appropriations Appropriations	S
		(in EUA)	
Article 837	- Community measures to eradicate certain diseases of cattle	te	
Item 8370	 Eradication of brucellosis, tuberculosis and leucosis in cattle 	12.900.000 2.700.000	
FROM CHAPTER 84	- COMMON MEASURES CONCERNING AGRICULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURES		
Article 840	- Collective irrigation works		
Item 8400	- Collective irrigation works in the Mezzogiorno	n 9.650.000 5.550.000	
Article 842	 Restructuring and conversion of vineyards in Languedoc- Roussillon and certain other French regions 	of 18.600.000 15.000.000	
FROM CHAPTER 100	- PROVISIONAL APPROPRIATIONS		
Nº 22 Art. 810	- Modernisation of farms	5.700.000 5.700.000	
Nº 23 Art. 811	 Cessation of farming and the reallocation of land for structural improvement 	5.100.000 5.100.000	
Nº 25 Art. 813	 Mountain and hill farming and farming in less favoured areas 		
Nº 27 Art. 843	- Forestry measures in certain dry Mediterranean regions	6.400.000 6.400.000	
TO CHAPTER 61	- RICE		
Article 610	- Refunds on rice		
		40,000,000	
Item 6100	- Refunds	10.000.000	
TO CHAPTER 62	- MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS		
Article 620	- Refunds on milk and milk produ	ucts	
Item 6200	- Refunds	60.000.000	

		<u>Appropriations</u>
Article 621	 Measures in respect of skimmed milk 	
Item 6211	 Aid for skimmed-milk powder for use as feed for animals other than calves 	15.000.000
TO CHAPTER 66	- PIGMEAT	
Article 660	- Refunds on pigmeat	10.000.000
Article 661	- Measures in respect of pigmeat	10.000.000
TO CHAPTER 67	- EGGS AND POULTRYMEAT	
Article 671	- Refunds on poultrymeat	17.000.000
TO CHAPTER 73	 OTHER SECTORS OR PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO COMMON MARKET ORGANIZATION 	
Article 737	- Peas, broad beans and field beans	8.000.000

The Financial Controller endorsed this proposal, thereby certifying that the appropriations are available on $14.11.1979\,\mathrm{s}$

JUSTIFICATION

A. - AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GUIDANCE SECTION

The EAGGF Guidance Section has surplus appropriations which cannot be utilised during the 1979 financial year. This surplus is due to a number of reasons:

- for a number of budget lines, the time required to put into effect the measures is longer than was initially estimated, and consequently the expenditure of the Guidance Section is less than forecast;
- for a number of new regulations, the Member States are late in presenting their programmes for putting the measure into effect and as a result expenditure is delayed;
- the appropriations available in 1979 have been increased by the appropriations not utilised in 1978 which have been carried forward and utilised with priority;
- certain proposed modifications to existing legislation have been provided for in Chapter 100 of the 1979 Budget, since these proposals have not yet been adopted by the Council the appropriations will not be required for these proposals in the 1979 financial year.

B. - NEEDS OF THE GUARANTEE SECTION

It is apparent based on the requests for payment up to the 30 September, and the Member States forecasts for the final three months of the year, that the Items shown in the table have a need for additional appropriations above those provided for in the draft supplementary and rectifying budget number 3.